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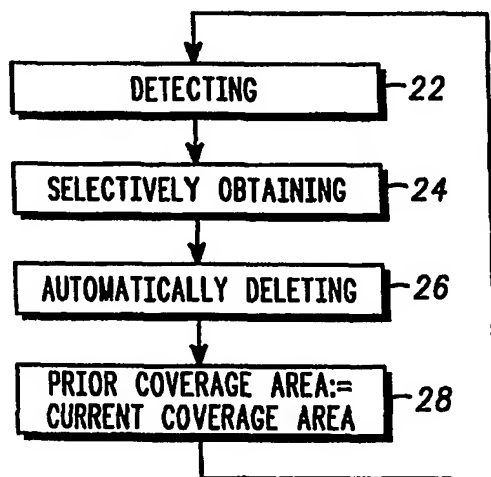
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a previous coverage area to a current coverage area and se-
lectively obtaining a set of coverage area specific messages
(Mset) stored in a memory (16,18) associated with the tele-
phone (1), the coverage area specific messages being from a
set of messages received when the telephone was in the pre-
vious coverage area. The method (1) provides for and auto-
matically deleting the coverage area specific messages from
the memory (16,18) when the telephone (1) is in the current
coverage area.